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Chancellor announces \$2 million fund, new hub to help students affected by hurricane

Carolina students affected by Hurricane Florence are receiving unprecedented emergency support from the University, which has set up a \$2 million fund and a resource hub in the days following the disaster.

At the Sept. 27 meeting of the University Board of Trustees, Chancellor Carol L. Folt announced the creation of the \$2 million Florence Student Emergency Fund and the Student Success Hub for Florence Recovery for those affected by the hurricane. The fund will provide support to students faced with unexpected financial hardships following Hurricane Florence, while the hub will streamline academic, financial aid and other support processes for students.

The University will provide \$1 million for the initiative from its trademark licensing revenue and income from UNC Student Stores, in addition to funding that the University has already committed to need-based scholarships. The additional \$1 million will be raised through a philanthropic match. The campus and the community can donate at giving.unc.edu/gift/relief.

"Today we are sending a clear message to our students who were affected by the devastation of Hurricane Florence and their families: We are here for you," Folt said. "Recovering from a storm like Hurricane Florence

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In developing fair policies for the Student Success Hub for Florence Recovery, Vice Provost for Enrollment and Undergraduate Admissions Stephen Farmer said that the group (which also included Desirée Rieckenberg, senior associate dean of students, left) was told to "err on the side of compassion."

\$10M gift to Carolina will broaden global reach, scholarship and opportunity

A \$10 million gift from alumni Bill and Anne Harrison of Greenwich, Connecticut, to Carolina will strengthen the University's global programs and presence. The generous gift from the Harrisons will endow two new senior-level leadership positions and support the strategic priorities of UNC Global, which incorporates many of the centralized programs and services that support Carolina's global mission.

A search is already underway for a new full-time chief global officer and vice provost for global affairs, who will report to the executive vice chancellor and provost. In September, the University announced the hiring of a new associate provost for global affairs, Raymond Farrow. Farrow succeeds Ron Strauss, Carolina's chief international officer since 2009, as the chief operating officer and executive director of UNC Global and will serve as interim chief global officer until a vice provost is named. Strauss will continue in his role as executive vice provost.

"I am so grateful for Bill and Anne's steadfast commitment to Carolina and all those who study and work here. They have done so much for our community, and this tremendous gift reflects their support and belief in Carolina's global mission," said Chancellor Carol L. Folt. "Their loving generosity will help us integrate global thinking across our campus and guarantee that every student graduates with the skills they need to serve our world."

Between 2016 and 2018, a Global Leadership Taskforce guided the development of a new global road map. The road map included a "global mindset" as a fundamental imperative for the campus—a strategy outlined in both *The Blueprint for Next*, the strategic framework and vision for the growth of the University, and *For All Kind: the Campaign for Carolina*.

Included in that global mindset vision are three proposed programs that are being presented as major gift opportunities during the campaign:

- The Global Guarantee, which will make it possible for students, regardless of their financial background, to have a global learning experience during their time at Carolina;
- The Carolina Global Seed Fund that will allow students, faculty and staff to supercharge collaborations that influence and shape the University's global aspirations;
- The Global Impact Accelerator that will speed up the time it takes to get solutions and programming developed at Carolina implemented in communities in North Carolina and around the world.

This ambitious vision will require a robust operational infrastructure, including a full-time leadership team that is prepared to advance Carolina's global mission and oversee its growing global enterprise.



Carolina alumni couple Anne and Bill Harrison have a long record of supporting global initiatives at Carolina.

"It is critically important to have fully dedicated leadership for UNC Global. With a full-time vice provost for global affairs and chief global officer in place, UNC Global will be well positioned to advance the University's global priorities. This gift will help UNC attract the very best candidates for this leadership role and demonstrate the university's commitment to preeminence as a

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